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<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>				U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <b>10/506439</b>	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP03/03970		INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 28 March 2003		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 29 March 2002	
TITLE OF INVENTION  <b>LACTIC ACID-BASED RESIN COMPOSITION</b>					
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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:					
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Items 11 to 21 below concern document(s) or information included:					
11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. <input type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment. 14. <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 C.F.R. 1.821 - 1.825. 18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: <u>Application Data Sheet, General Authorization for Petitions for Extension of Time and Payment of Fees; Forms PCT/IB/304 and 308.</u> 21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant(s) requests that the published application include the following assignment information: <u>Mitsui Chemicals, Inc. and DuPont-Mitsui Polychemicals Co., Ltd., both of Tokyo, Japan.</u>					

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22. ☒ The following fees are submitted:

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3), the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby provided with a general authorization to treat any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for an extension of time for its timely submission as containing a request therefor for the appropriate length of time.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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